

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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RE: MUR 5520

The Republican Party of Louisiana and Charles L. Buckels, Jr., in his official capacity as treasurer

Dear Mr. Burchfield:

On September 1, 2004, the Federal Election Commission ("the Commission") notified your clients, the Republican Party of Louisiana and Charles L. Buckels, Jr., in his official capacity as treasurer, of a complaint alleging violations of certain sections of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. On June 3, 2005, the Commission found, on the basis of the information in the complaint, and information provided by you, that there is no reason to believe that the Republican Party of Louisiana and Charles L. Buckels, Jr., in his official capacity as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 441a. Accordingly, the Commission closed its file in this matter.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. See Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files, 68 Fed. Reg. 70,426 (Dec. 18, 2003). A copy of the General Counsel's Report is enclosed for your information.

If you have any questions, please contact Mark Goodin, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Lawrence H. Norton

General Counsel

Y: Lawrence L. Calvert Jr.

Deputy Associate General Counsel

for Enforcement

Enclosure

First General Counsel's Report